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--26.(New) A method according to claim 24, characterized in that the solvent in the elution solution consists of water with less than 10% admixture of an organic solvent.--

 $--27.({\sf New})$ An ion exchange column suitable for use in zwitterionic ion exchange chromatography comprising a sorbent carrier according to claim 15.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 were canceled. New claims 15-27 have been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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